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In re Application of: Whitman et al.

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This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed on July 30, 2003, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on October 30, 2003.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper;

Amendments to the drawings are identified on page 6 of this paper; and

Remarks start at page 7 of this paper.